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# PANELISTS ANNOUNCED FOR DEC 10. BROADBAND STAFF WORKSHOP ON GLOBAL BROADBAND

The Federal Communications Commission will hold a staff workshop Thursday that will focus on international broadband networks, how they can benefit U.S. consumers in the global marketplace, and the challenges faced in maintaining and expanding these networks. The public is encouraged to attend.

WHAT: Staff Workshop: Global Broadband Connects America and the World

-- Infrastructure, Services and Applications

WHEN: Thursday, December 10, 9:30 a.m.

WHERE: FCC Commission Room,

445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW

Washington, D.C. 20554 Registration in advance at

http://www.broadband.gov/ws global bb.html is encouraged

ONLINE: Must pre-register at http://www.broadband.gov/ws\_global\_bb.html

# **AGENDA**

## **FCC Participants:**

- Mindel De La Torre, Chief, International Bureau
- Anurag Lal, National Broadband Taskforce
- Robert Tanner, International Bureau
- Narda Jones, International Bureau
- Linda Haller Sloan, International Bureau

## 9:40 a.m. Panel 1

- Diane Cornell, Vice President, Government Affairs, Inmarsat
- Steve Corda, Vice President, Market Development, SES World Skies

- Jacquelynn Ruff, Vice President, International Public Policy & Regulatory Affairs, Verizon
- Nils Rix, Vice President, Strategy & Marketing, Ericsson
- Valerie D'Costa, Director, infoDev, World Bank

## 10:50 a.m. Panel 2

- Paul Margie, Partner, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP
- **Dr. Theo Stone**, Director of Academic Technology, University of Maryland University College
- Dr. Joel Selanikio, Director, DataDyne
- **David M. Mihelcic**, Chief Technology Officer, Defense Information Systems Agency, Department of Defense

The FCC is convening a series of hearings to promote an open dialogue between the FCC and the public on development of a National Broadband Plan. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 directed the FCC to submit a National Broadband Plan to Congress by February 17, 2010 that addresses broadband deployment, adoption, affordability, and the use of broadband to advance solutions to national priorities, including health care, education, energy, public safety, job creation, investment, and others.

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